BLACK GAY DADS FORUM

Location: Phillip Rush Center, 1530 DeKalb Avenue, Atlanta, Ga. 30307

AGENDA
4/18/2015

9:00 - 9:30 **Registration/ Breakfast & Networking**
Light Continental breakfast provided

9:30 - 9:45 **Opening Remarks and Introductory of Panelist**

9:45 - 11:00 **Why are Family – Black Gay Dads talk "Raising children and family planning"**
Chris Iniss
Shelton Stroman
Rev. Duncan Teague
Jerome Freeman
Larry Carter
Craig Washington (Moderator)

11:00 - 11:10 **Transition/break**

11:10 – 11:20 **Attorneys Introductory**

11:30 – 11:45 **Lunch**
Please grab you complimentary lunch provided by Xtreme Entertainment

11:45 – 12:10 **"A view inside the law" - Ask the Attorney Session and Lunch**
An interactive session and dialogue with Lambda Legal attorney and a local family law attorney.
Tara Borelli (Lambda Legal)
Herman Tunsil (The Tunsil Law Group)

12:10 - 12:25 **Transition/break**

12:25 - 1:10 **Breakout Roundtable Working Sessions**
Please select from the following <u>six</u> concurrent breakout roundtable workgroup

- **Legal talk – Assessing, Addressing and Accessing the needs for family planning**
  Herman Tunsil – Facilitator
- **Workforce and Employment**
- **Housing – Navigating the pathways to affordable housing opportunities**
  Larry Carter – Facilitator

- **HealthCare Access**
- **Supportive Services & Networks**
- **Faith and Family**

1:10 - 1:40 Report Back

1:40 – 1:50 Acknowledgments & Closing Remarks

2:00 Adjourn

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PRESENTS

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Phillip Rush Center Atlanta, Georgia

Saturday, April, 18th, 2015

SPEAKER WELCOME PACKET

EVENT DETAILS:

Black Gay Dads Community Forum
Saturday, April 18, 2015
Phillip Rush Center
1530 DeKalb Ave., N.E.
Atlanta, Ga. 30307

Event contact information: Geneva Musgrave, Diversity and Inclusion Program Educator, Lambda Legal
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LOGISTICS AND REGISTRATION:
All speakers/panelists have been pre- registered for the convention. On the day of the community forum, speakers should check in, check your child(ren) (if applicable) head into the large conference room. Speakers will have a designated seat at the front of the room. Speakers should try and arrive at least 30 minutes before the start of their panel. All speakers please enjoy complimentary breakfast and lunch.

Information regarding Phillip Rush Center:

The Phillip Rush Center is located on 1530 DeKalb Avenue, N.E. Atlanta, Ga. Free parking is available. The Center is near the Marta stop – – Edgewood Candler Park Station.

PANEL SESSION # 1 DETAILS:

We Are Family – Black Gay Dads talk about raising families
9:45 AM – 11:00 AM

Panel description: There is a need for consistent and formal dialogue concerning the African-American community to come together to discuss important issues concerning the black family, especially for many black gay, bi and trans dads who are raising children and looking for support. For many of us family is a strong source of who we are and how we are and how we will be in the world. Generally, identity and support are core elements for many lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) people. However, often time for LGBTQ people of color we are often silenced about our identity and we face challenges with finding the right support for us and our families. This panel is an opportunity to dialogue about the needs for black gay, bi and Trans men and their families. They will share personal stories, experiences and reflections on the family planning process.

Moderator: **Craig Washington,** Program Manager, AID Atlanta, Inc.
Panelists: **Chris Iniss,**
Shelton Stroman,
Rev. Duncan Teague
Jerome Freeman,
Larry Carter,

PANEL SETUP/SPEAKER ROLES:

Runtime: 75 minutes
Setup: One podium with microphone will be setup at front of the room. Tables, chairs, and mics will also be setup at the front for panelists. Audience table and chairs will be setup theatre/classroom style.

Moderators: The role of the panel moderator is to welcome participants at the start of the panel, introduce guest panelists, and facilitate the question and answer session with panelist. Then open up to the audience for questions and answers session. The moderator will use the podium and podium microphone for this process.

Panelists: The role of the panelists is to provide remarks that relate to the specific panel topic and take questions from the audience during the question and audience portion of the panel.

SPEAKER LINE-UP & ORDER /PODIUM AGENDA FOR DAY OF EVENT:

A. **Welcome-** *Moderator introduces themselves and welcomes audience. Moderator reads the agenda acknowledgments, special guest, sponsors and then introduces the moderator for 1st Panel* **(Geneva – 3 mins)**

B. **Panel Kickoff** – *Moderator* reads panel theme and description and outlines speaker order (panelist introductions, followed by Q&A) **(Craig – 5 mins)**

C. **Transition to Panelist Introductions-** *Moderator* introduces *panelists.* All panelists introduced at one time. **(Craig – 5 mins.)**

D. **Panelists Provide Remarks-** One by one, *panelists* provide remarks about themselves. Who you are? What you do? Why is this topic important to you or why are you here? **(3 minutes each = 15 mins.)**

E. **Guided Discussion -** Moderator will ask the panelist some questions. Each panelist may provide remarks to questions. **(Craig – 30 mins)**

F. **Q&A- After** all panelists provide remarks, Moderator will thank panelists and will open the floor up for a question and answer session. **(Craig – 15 mins)**

G. **Closing-** After the Q&A period, the *Moderator* will close the session by thanking all panelists and participants. **(Craig - 2 mins)**

PANEL SESSION # 2 DETAILS:

A View Inside The Law – Ask the Attorney Session and Lunch
11:10 AM – 12:10 PM

Panel description: An interactive session and dialogue with attorneys to discuss various topics regarding family planning as it relates to law. Hear some Supreme Court updates, and how the decisions can effect family planning and more.

Moderator: **Geneva Musgrave,** Diversity and Inclusion Program Educator, Lambda Legal
Panelists: **Tara Borelli,** Senior Staff Attorney, Lambda Legal – Atlanta, Ga.
Herman Tunsil, Esq., The Tunsil Law Group – Atlanta, Ga.

PANEL SETUP/SPEAKER ROLES:

Runtime: 60 minutes
Setup: One podium with microphone will be setup at front of the room. Tables, chairs, and mics will also be setup at the front for panelists. Audience table and chairs will be setup theatre/classroom style.

Moderators: The role of the panel moderator will introduce guest panelists and facilitate the question and answer session with panelist and audience. The moderator will use the microphone for this process.

Panelists: The role of the panelists is to provide remarks and overview that relate law and family planning and take questions from the audience during the question and audience portion of the panel.

SPEAKER LINE-UP & ORDER /PODIUM AGENDA FOR DAY OF EVENT:

H. **Transition to Panelist Introductions-** *Moderator* introduces *panelists and theme.* All panelists introduced at one time. **(Geneva –3 *mins*)**

I. **Panelists Provide Remarks-** One by one, *panelists* provide remarks about themselves and an overview about the law. **(*3 minutes each = 6*)**

J. **Break for Lunch –** Moderator will break and instruct everyone to go grab their box lunches and come back to order to continue the program and transition into Q&A **(Geneva – 15 mins.)**

K. **Q&A- After** all panelists provide remarks, Moderator will thank panelists and will open the floor up for a question and answer session. **(Geneva – 35 mins.)**

L. **Closing-** After the Q&A period, the *Moderator* will close the session by thanking all panelists and participants. **(Geneva -1 min.)**

Breakout Roundtable Working Session

Let's Create a Blueprint

12:45pm – 1:10pm Runtime: 70 minutes

Setup: Participants can choose a theme and join a group.

Method: Each group will complete a SWOT analyasis or have a discussion with guided questions on a selected theme.

Legal talk – Assessing, Addressing and Accessing the needs for family planning
Herman Tunsil – Facilitator

Workforce and Employment – Exploring the needs and gaining access to supportive jobs

Housing – Navigating the pathways to affordable housing opportunities
Larry Carter – Facilitator

HealthCare Access – Who, What, Where and When to go for your family healthcare needs

Supportive Services & Networks – Do you know where to go? Identifying the missing links

Faith and Family - What this means to me and my family

Report back

Runtime: 30 minutes

Each group will report out on their themes.

Closing Remarks, Special Thanks and Adjornment